SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA

County of San Diego

DATE: August 11, 2005 DEPT. 71 REPORTER A: Peter Stewart CSR# 3184

PRESENT HON. RONALD S. PRAGER REPORTER B: CSR#

JUDGE

CLERK: K. Sandoval

BAILIFF: K. Williams REPORTER'S ADDRESS: P.O. BOX 120128

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9:00 A.M. This being the time previously set for **EX PARTE HEARING** in the above entitled cause Court convenes with: Barry Himmelstein of Lieff, Cabraser, Heimann & Bernstein, Nancy L. Fineman of Cotchett, Pitri, Simon & McCarthy and Aaron Sheanin of Girard Gibbs & De Bartolomeo personally present for the Plaintiffs. Jeffrey Shohet of DLA Piper Rudnick Gray Cary, Mark Hamer of DLA Piper Rudnick Gray Cary, Joel Kleinman of Dickstein, Shapiro, Morin & Oshinsky and Robert Sacks Sullivan & Cromwell personally present for the Defendants. Appearing telephonically are Joshua Lichtman and Shawn Borman.

Counsel agree for the record that the Court may resolve the discovery matter at this ex parte. Court and counsel discuss the proposed protective order regarding experts and consultants. Court directs Defendants counsel to prepare a target list of consultants to provide to the Plaintiffs. Court and counsel are to meet and confer and try to resolve the issue informally. Counsel will appear again on August 23, 2005 and at that time the Court may again revisit the issue if it is not resolved.

Court and counsel discuss the production of documents/sharing of documents produced. The Court denies the Plaintiffs request regarding production of documents. Counsel advise the Court that they have a provision in place regarding production of documents.

10:05 a.m. Court is adjourned.

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